

Docket No. 0599-0207P

REMARKS

Claims 1-2 and 5-38 are pending in the present application. Claims 3 and 4 have been cancelled and claims 37 and 38 have been added. It is submitted that new claims 37 and 38 find full support in the original disclosure of the present specification, such as at pages 7-8 thereof. It is requested that these amendments be entered of record in connection with this application.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

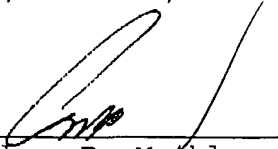
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